



# 2015

## LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE

### TACKLING FALLING LEAVES

Between now and early December, maples, oaks, sycamores, and yes, even those pesky cottonwoods, will shed their leaves, blanketing lawns and sidewalks.

Like clockwork, the town ramps up its efforts to remove leaves just as they begin their fall descent. This year's leaf collection begins October 12 and continues through Dec. 4. For more than 20 years, public works has conducted the program, vacuuming up leaves that are raked to the parkway and applying them to land the town owns near Cline Avenue at the Little Calumet River.

Public Works Director John Bach said there are plans to eventually locate a new park at the site. Until then, he and his crews continue to build up the earth with leaves that are covered over with dirt.

"We always get questions about what we do with the leaves and why they are not picked up with the weekly trash," he said. "Requirements mandate that leaves and branches are not disposed of in landfills. Managing our own leaves has saved a great deal of money on trucking and disposal fees."

The site the town uses for leaf and chipped branch disposal has many years left before it will be filled.

### NO PARKING ZONE

When it comes to leaf collection, Public Works Director John Bach said parked cars are the greatest impediment. "We have large trucks and large trailers we use to vacuum leaves," he said. "Parked cars present a major problem for us when we are trying to maneuver our vehicles and get all of the leaves picked up." Please make sure that all vehicles – yours, your neighbor's and your guest's – are not blocking leaf piles at, or near, your residence.

### DON'T CUT THOSE BRANCHES

The town asks residents to refrain from branch removal in October and November. During those months, the wood chipping crews are busy removing leaves. The last day for branch pick-up is Nov. 13.

### LEAF PARKING ALLOWED

In order to minimize the possibility of leaves blocking street drains, leaves should be raked into a pile or row in the parkway between the sidewalk and curb as close to the street as possible.

#### PLEASE DO NOT RAKE LEAVES INTO THE STREET.

Keep leaf piles away from mailboxes, street signs, fire hydrants, trees/landscaping objects and vehicles to make it easier for leaf collection equipment to clear objects and safer for the collection crew.

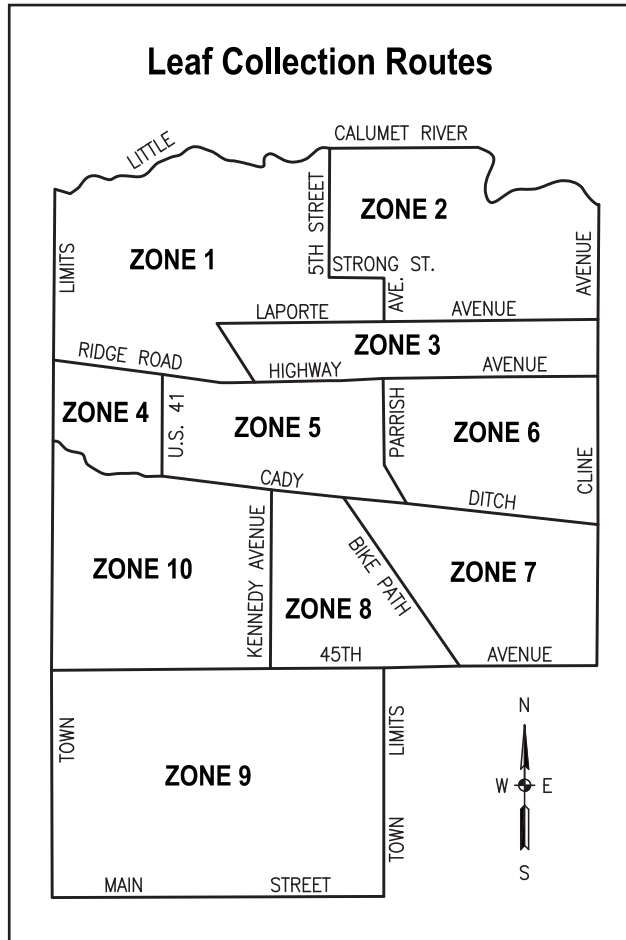
### THE 411 ON LEAF COLLECTION

- 🗑️ The town is divided into 10 pick-up zones. Find your zone and pick-up dates on the reverse side.
  - 🗑️ Make sure leaves are out the night before your scheduled pick-up. If you have a landscaping service, please try to schedule their work the day before so your leaves won't be left for the next pick-up. Public Works will not go back to a street that has already been serviced.
  - 🗑️ In areas without curbs, leaves should be placed on the grass or parkway at the edge of the street.
  - 🗑️ Keep all parked vehicles off the street on your collection day. Violators are subject to a \$25 fine.
  - 🗑️ State law prohibits leaf disposal as part of routine garbage collection. Please do not place leaves in garbage or recycling.
  - 🗑️ Questions? Please call (219) 972-5083.
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DAY	DATE	ZONE
MON	OCT. 12	1
TUES	OCT. 13	2
WED	OCT. 14	3
THU	OCT. 15	4
FRI	OCT. 16	5
MON	OCT. 19	6
TUES	OCT. 20	7
WED	OCT. 21	8
THU	OCT. 22	9
FRI	OCT. 23	10
MON	OCT. 26	1
TUES	OCT. 27	2
WED	OCT. 28	3
THU	OCT. 29	4
FRI	OCT. 30	5
MON	NOV. 2	6
TUES	NOV. 3	7
WED	NOV. 4	8
THU	NOV. 5	9
FRI	NOV. 6	10
MON	NOV. 9	1
TUES	NOV. 10	2
WED	NOV. 11	3
THU	NOV. 12	4
FRI	NOV. 13	5



DAY	DATE	ZONE
MON	NOV. 16	6
TUES	NOV. 17	7
WED	NOV. 18	8
THU	NOV. 19	9
FRI	NOV. 20	10
MON	NOV. 23	1-5
TUES	NOV. 24	1-5
WED	NOV. 25	1-5
THU	NOV. 26	**
FRI	NOV. 27	**
MON	NOV. 30	6
TUES	DEC. 1	7
WED	DEC. 2	8
THU	DEC. 3	9
FRI	DEC. 4	10

**\*\* No collection**

### PARKING ON LEAF COLLECTION DAYS

Pursuant to §72.20.1 of the Highland Municipal Code, Special Regulations (parking) for Leaf Collections Days, persons that park a vehicle in a manner that restricts the collection of leaves, on the scheduled day of collection, will be fined \$25.



**UNSCHEDULED COLLECTION:** No routes are scheduled the week of Dec. 11, but crews will be available to collect leaves. Call (219) 972-5083 for pickup.